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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Occupational Safety and Health Administration Data Initiative

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) sponsored information collection request (ICR) revision titled, "Occupational Safety and Health Administration Data Initiative," (ODI) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval for use in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.).

DATES: Submit comments on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation; including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained free of charge from the RegInfo.gov Web site, <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>, on the day following publication of this notice or by contacting Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-4129 (this is not a toll-free number) or sending an email to DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

Submit comments about this request to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for DOL-OSHA, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, 725 17th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20503, Fax: 202-395-6881 (this is not a toll-free number), email: OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-4129 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email at DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

AUTHORITY: 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The OSHA has a broad mandate to reduce injuries and illnesses in American workplaces. The OSHA has responded to this mandate by developing several programs, including the promulgation and enforcement of standards, training and educational programs, and cooperative programs.

The annual collection of employer specific injury and illness data through the ODI improves the ability of the OSHA more effectively to use its limited resources in more hazardous workplaces and to reduce OSHA interventions at relatively safe and healthy workplaces. The ODI also supports OSHA compliance with the Government Performance and Results Act, by allowing the agency to monitor the results of its activities, to evaluate its various programs based on program results, to identify the most efficient and effective program mix, and to promote the development of programs and policies based on outcome data.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. The ICR is classified as a revision, because it will implement a DOL Office of the Inspector General recommendation to expand the coverage of the ODI and the Site Specific Targeting Plan for enforcement to include establishments with between 11 and 19 employees. In addition, the ICR will no longer include American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funded construction projects.

A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it

is approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6. The DOL obtains OMB approval for this information collection under Control Number 1218-0209. The current approval is scheduled to expire on April 30, 2013; however, it should be noted that existing information collection requirements submitted to the OMB receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review. For additional information, see the related notice published in the Federal Register on December 13, 2012 (77 FR 74224).

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the address shown in the ADDRESSES section within 30 days of publication of this notice in the Federal Register. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB Control Number 1218-0209. The OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
 - Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
 - Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;
- and

- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: DOL-OSHA.

Title of Collection: Occupational Safety and Health Administration Data Initiative.

OMB Control Number: 1218-0209.

Affected Public: Private Sector (businesses or other for-profits) and State, Local and Tribal Governments.

Total Estimated Number of Respondents: 100,000.

Total Estimated Number of Responses: 100,000.

Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 16,667.

Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden: \$0.

Dated: April 22, 2013.

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